



Proverbs Concerning The Poor

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Sunday Evening Message

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Introduction: There are so many great words of wisdom to be found in the Proverbs. One of the echoing themes of the book of Proverbs is riches and poverty. I would like for us to consider a handful of those passages during our study as it relates to four specific things . . .

Discussion:

I. What do the Proverbs say about poverty and sin?

- Proverbs 13:18, James 4:2
- Proverbs 18:23, Luke 18:1-8
- Proverbs 19:4, Luke 15:11-32
- Proverbs 19:6-7, James 4:17
- Proverbs 21:17, I Timothy 6:10

II. What do the Proverbs say about poverty and stewardship?

- Proverbs 13:7-8, I Peter 5:6
- Proverbs 13:22-23, Matthew 6:20
- Proverbs 22:7, Romans 13:8
- Proverbs 28:6, Matthew 19:16-26

III. What do the Proverbs say about poverty and sacrifice?

- Proverbs 10:15, Luke 16:19-31
- Proverbs 13:11, Ephesians 4:28
- Proverbs 18:11, I Timothy 6:6, Matthew 7:24-27
- Proverbs 28:11, Matthew 5:3

IV. What do the Proverbs say about poverty and service?

- Exodus 22-23, Leviticus 19, 23, Deuteronomy 10, 15:4
- Proverbs 14:31, Galatians 2:7-10, Acts 15, Acts 20:35, 24:17, I Corinthians 13:3, Acts 11:27-30, Acts 24:17, Romans 15:25-27, I Corinthians 16:1-2, II Corinthians 8-9
- Proverbs 17:5, 14:34, 19:26
- Proverbs 22:16, 22
- Proverbs 28:3, John 12:3-8; 13:28-29, Acts 3, Mark 10:46-52, Matthew 5:43-48, Matthew 11:5, Luke 4:18, Matthew 27:7, 10

Conclusion: Remember *“the rich and the poor have this in common, the LORD is the maker of them all (22:2)”* and *“The LORD gives light to the eyes of both (29:13).”* We always have the poor with us (John 12). They must not go unnoticed, because we can fall like the Canaanites & Judah (Ezekiel 16:46-50, 18:7, 9). Remember the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:31-46. What would Jesus do for the poor of our community? What can you do to help the poor?

WORD OF THE DAY = “POOR”